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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Kangaroo Flat Primary School is looking forward to another great year of teaching and learning and would like to advise you of *our* voluntary financial contributions for 2023.

Schools provide students with free instruction to fulfil the standard Victorian curriculum and we want to assure you that all contributions are voluntary. Nevertheless, the ongoing support of our families ensures that our school can offer the best possible education and support for our students. We want to thank you for all your support, whether that's through fundraising or volunteering your time. This can make a difference to our school and the programs we can offer.

For further information on the Department's Parent Payments Policy please see a one-page overview attached.

Educational items for students to own

Attached is a list of items that Kangaroo Flat PS recommends you purchase online **from Education Plus** for your child to individually own and use.

This must be ordered and paid by Friday 16th December, 2022 to **Education Plus**, which will ensure timely delivery of student packs to school in January, 2023

Any orders/payments received after 16th December will incur a late fee of \$5 per student order.

www.edplus.com.au

Yours sincerely,



Kim Saddlier

Principal



Leticia Laurien

School Council President

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Curriculum Contributions - items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	Amount
<i>Swimming – transportation (CSEF may be used)</i>	\$5.00
Other Contributions - for non-curriculum items and activities	Amount
<i>School Sports Victoria membership - Bendigo region (CSEF may be used)</i>	\$5.00
<i>School grounds Ironbark area outdoor learning space donation (please fill in amount you wish to donate)</i>	\$
Total Amount	\$10.00

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

Kangaroo Flat PS offers a range of activities that enhance or broaden the schooling experience of students and are above and beyond what the school provides in order to deliver the Curriculum. These are provided on a user-pays basis.

If you would like to purchase an item or activity for your child, please indicate on the table below and return this to the school by 16th December, 2022

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities	Amount	Purchase (tick)
<i>Library Bag (due 30th Jan, 2023) available at kfps office</i>	\$11.00	
<i>Grade ¾ Billabong Camp October 2023 (deposit \$100 due June 2023)</i>	\$250.00 (approx.)	
<i>Grade 5/6 EOY Celebration due payment Dec 2023</i>	\$25.00	
<i>Regional/District sports events</i>	TBA	
<i>Activities & Incursions per year level (CSEF may be accessed)</i>	TBA	
TOTAL		\$

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Payment methods

Direct Dr, Bpay, EFTPOS or Cash.

Financial Support for Families

Kangaroo Flat PS understands that some families may experience financial difficulty and offers a range of support options, including:

- the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund
- *Haven Home Safe*

For a confidential discussion about accessing these services, or if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements, contact:

Kim Saddlier or Faye Martin

Ph: 03 5447 5100

Email: Kangaroo.Flat.ps@education.vic.gov.au

Refunds

Parent requests for refunds are subject to the discretion of the school and made on a case-by-case basis. Refunds will be provided where the school deems it is reasonable and fair to do so, taking into consideration whether a cost has been incurred, the Department's Parent Payment Policy and Guidance, Financial Help for Families Policy and any other relevant information.]

PARENT PAYMENTS POLICY

ONE PAGE OVERVIEW



FREE INSTRUCTION

- Schools provide students with free instruction and ensure students have free access to all items, activities and services that are used by the school to fulfil the standard curriculum requirements in Victorian Curriculum F-10, VCE and VCAL.
- Schools may invite parents to make a financial contribution to support the school.



PARENT PAYMENT REQUESTS

Schools can request contributions from parents under three categories:

Curriculum Contributions

Voluntary financial contributions for curriculum items and activities which the school deems necessary for students to learn the Curriculum.

Other Contributions

Voluntary financial contributions for non-curriculum items and activities that relate to the school's functions and objectives.

Extra-Curricular Items and Activities

Items and activities that enhance or broaden the schooling experience of students and are above and beyond what the school provides for free to deliver the Curriculum. These are provided on a user-pays basis.

- Schools may also invite parents to supply or purchase educational items to use and own (e.g. textbooks, stationery, digital devices).



FINANCIAL HELP FOR FAMILIES

- Schools put in place financial hardship arrangements to support families who cannot pay for items or activities so that their child doesn't miss out.
- Schools have a nominated parent payment contact person(s) that parents can have a confidential discussion with regarding financial hardship arrangements.



SCHOOL PROCESSES

- Schools must obtain school council approval for their parent payment arrangements and publish all requests and communications for each year level on their school website for transparency.